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I have the honour to refer to paragraph 3 of Security Council resolution 1876 (2009), by which the Council established the United Nations Integrated Peacebuilding Office in Guinea-Bissau (UNIOGBIS), whose mandate has been extended until 28 February 2013 by resolution 2030 (2011).

Following the usual consultations, I would like to inform you of my intention to appoint Mr. José Ramos-Horta (Timor-Leste) as my Special Representative for Guinea-Bissau and Head of UNIOGBIS with effect from 1 January 2013. He will replace Mr. Joseph Mutaboba (Rwanda), who served as my Special Representative for Guinea-Bissau and Head of the United Nations Peacebuilding Support Office in Guinea-Bissau from 7 February to 31 December 2009 and as my Special Representative for Guinea-Bissau and Head of UNIOGBIS from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2012. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Mutaboba for his dedicated service in Guinea-Bissau and at UNIOGBIS.

I should be grateful if you would bring this letter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) **BAN** Ki-moon

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